

10/571876

15 MAR 2006

S/N Unknown

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: YAMAMOTO et al. Examiner: Unknown
Serial No.: Unknown Group Art Unit: Unknown
Filed: 15 March 2006 Docket: 10921.385USWO
Title: THERMAL PRINTHEAD AND METHOD FOR
MANUFACTURING THE SAME

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

Express Mail mailing label number: EV858802325US

Date of Deposit: 15 MARCH 2006

I hereby certify that the papers listed below are being deposited with the United States Postal Service Express Mail Post Office to Addressee service under 37 CFR 1.10 in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

By: 

Name: Abbie Larkin

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c))

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application, which is not an application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each foreign document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

Applicants respectfully bring to the Examiner's attention that one of the references listed on the enclosed Form 1449 were cited in an International Search Report, enclosed herewith.

A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. §(a)(3)):

English abstracts are provided for JP 2-70457 and JP 8-310024. US 6,424,367 corresponds with JP 11-314390.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

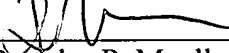
Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-3478.

Respectfully submitted,

HAMRE, SCHUMANN, MUELLER &
LARSON, P.C.
P.O. Box 2902-0902
Minneapolis, MN 55402-0902
(612) 455-3800

Dated: 15 March 2006

By: 
Douglas P. Mueller
Reg. No. 30,300

DPM:hjm

10/571876
1479 Reg'd PCT/PTO 15 MAR 2000

FORM 1449* INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IN AN APPLICATION (Use several sheets if necessary)	Docket Number: 10921.385USWO	Application Number: Unknown
	Applicant: YAMAMOTO et al.	
	Filing Date: 15 March 2006	Group Art Unit: Unknown

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
	6 424 367	23 July 2002	OBATA et al.				
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
						YES	NO
	JP 2-70457	3 Sept. 1990	Japan			Abstract	
	JP 8-310024	26 Nov. 1996	Japan			Abstract	
	JP 11-314390	16 Nov. 1999	Japan			US 6,424,367	
OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)							

52835

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form for next communication to the Applicant.	